

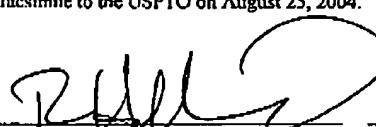
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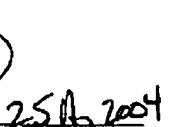
Claims 1-4, 6-13, 15-19 and 21 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,020916 issued to Gerszberg in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,633,324 issued to Stephens. Applicants respectfully traverse. Stephens fails to qualify as prior art against the present application since Stephens was assigned to Forgent Networks, Inc. at the time of filing of the present application, also assigned to Forgent Networks, Inc., and each of the inventors of Stephens and the present invention were under a duty to assign inventions to Forgent Networks, Inc. during the relevant time period. 35 U.S.C. § 103(c). Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and full allowance of pending Claims 1-4, 6-13, 15-19 and 21.

CONCLUSION

In view of the amendments and remarks set forth herein, the application is believed to be in condition for allowance and a notice to that effect is solicited. Nonetheless, should any issues remain that might be subject to resolution through a telephonic interview, the examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned.

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